

P&G Case 7730R

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of :
T. E. RABE ET AL. : Confirmation No.: 4129
Serial No.: 09/629,734 : Group Art Unit: 1617
Filed: July 31, 2000 : Examiner: H. Nguyen

For: ELECTROSTATICALLY-SPRAYABLE :
TOPICAL COMPOSITIONS HAVING INSULATING :
EXTERNAL PHASE AND CONDUCTIVE :
INTERNAL PHASE :

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2002, setting a three-month period for response. In order that this response is deemed timely, submitted herewith is a petition to extend the period for response three months to February 13, 2003. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. A method of topically applying a topical emulsion composition comprising electrostatically spraying an emulsion composition onto the skin, wherein the emulsion comprises:
- a) from about 5% to about 75% of an insulating external phase comprising one or more liquid insulating materials; and
 - b) from about 15% to about 80% of a conductive internal phase comprising one or more conductive materials.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 10-21 are pending and stand rejected in the present application. Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly recite the claimed method of topical application of an emulsion composition. Support for this amendment may be found at page 5, lines 8-12 and 16-17. No new matter has been added.